

IN THE UNEXED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ebner et al.

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PROVISIONAL ELECTION, AMENDMENT AND TRAVERSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 4, 2002, (Paper No. 7), please enter the following provisional election, *with traverse*, and amendment and please consider the remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet; and (b) an Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form SB/08.

Prior to substantive examination, please enter the following amendments.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-49 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following new claims 50-103:

- 50. (New) An isolated antibody or fragment thereof that specifically binds to a protein consisting of amino acid residues 1 to 160 of SEQ ID NO:4.
- 51. (New) The antibody or fragment thereof of claim 50, wherein said protein bound by said antibody or fragment thereof is glycosylated.
- 52. (New) The antibody or fragment thereof of claim 50 which is a human antibody.

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